Mr P Kumaran Ezhuthassan:—Are we to take it, Sir, that this aspect of his punishment has not been taken into consideration in giving his lift?

Mr. P. V. Raphael:—All aspects necessary for disposing of the question must have been considered.

Mr. Kumaran Ezhuthassan:—I want to know whether this aspect has been taken into consideration or not.

Mr. P. V. Raphael:—You may take it as you like.

Mr. K. Ayyappan:—What was the cause of this punishment?

Mr. P. V. Raphael:—It is given in the answer here, that he sent an article criticising the Government to a magazine.

Mr. C. A. Ouseph:—Perhaps he was criticising the policy of the Government.

Mr. P. V. Raphael:—I do not remember the contents of the letter.

Mr. C. A. Ouseph:—Was he guilty of any remissness in the discharge of his duties?

Mr. P. V. Raphael:—In the actual discharge of his duties as an Inspector I have found him to be satisfactory.

Mr. C. A. Ouseph:—Am I to take it that he was given some injunction not to indulge in newspaper correspondence?

Mr. P. V. Raphael:—That is what I have said. His increment has been stopped for two years.

Mr. C. A Ouseph:—Has that anything to do with his work as an Inspector?

Mr. P. V. Raphael:—I can only submit that his work as an Inspector has been found to be satisfactory.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan:—Has that anything to do with his work as an officer of the Government?

Mr. P. V. Raphael:—This is all regulated by the provisions in the Standing Orders. There is a chapter there on the personal conduct of public servants.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan:—Are Government servants allowed to criticise the policy of the Government?

Mr. P. V. Raphael:—That requires no answer from me.

Vithanassery water supply, road communication, etc.

203. Mr. K. G. Nayar:—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) whether the inhabitants of Vithanassery submitted a petition dated 6th April 1934 to the Diwan of Cochin drawing the attention of the Government to the inadequacy of water supply, want of road communications and necesssity for a parapet wall at the Ayyappankulam, etc.;

(b) what orders were passed on the same:

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(c) whether the Registrar of Village Panchayats was addressed in the matter by the same petitioners ;

(d) what is the reply given by the Registrar, dated 16th Chingam 1109 to their petition dated 29th August 1934 ;

(e) what has been done so far to redress their grievances ;

(f) what more is under the consideration of the Government to meet their demands?

Mr. P. V. Raphael:— (a) Yes.

(b) (i) The improvement of Ayyappankulam was dropped as it is not a poramboke tank used by all classes of people. But three more hydrants have been ordered to be put up in the locality. One of these will be put up this year and the other two next year, if funds permit.

(ii) A temporary drain over Malampuzha has already been sanctioned and put up in the current year.

(iii) Some of the lanes have already been improved. There are a few more yet to be improved and these will be repaired in succeeding years according to the availability of funds.

(iv) The question of the road to Pongode was put off since the work is not urgent.

(c) Yes.

(d) A copy of the reply is appended. *(Appendix II.)*

(e) Vide answer to (b) (i), (ii) and (iii).

(f) The improvement of the remaining lanes.

Land acquisition in Kunnamkulam.

204. Mr. K. T. Mathew:— Will the Government be pleased to print and place on the table the full Proceedings of the Diwan —Order D. Dis. 1325 of 10, dated 19th November 1934 (Development Department), together with the Excise Commissioner's letter No. 112 of 10, dated 14th October 1934 and the letter from the Director of Public Health No. C. 10 of 10, dated 2nd November 1934 ?

Rama Varmha Tampuran:— Copies of the papers are appended—*(Appendix III A, B and C.)*

Mr. K. T. Mathew:—In Appendix (c) it is stated "I am led to believe that the petition from the licensee can only be at the instigation of the parties interested. May I know on what basis this belief is formed and the factors which contributed to it.

Rama Varmha Tampuran:—Officers enquire and what they honestly feel they report to the Government.

Mr. K. T. Mathew:—Who enquired into that petition? Was it the Excise Commissioner or the Director of Public Health? It is seen from the Appendix (c) that a copy of the letter from the Excise Commissioner has been communicated to the Director of Public Health.

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